

DEPT. OF COMMERCE—First Monday of April and December.  
NATIONAL COM.—First Monday of March and a Monday of October.  
STATE COM.—Second Monday of February, August and November.  
TENTH COM.—First Monday in each month.

to make hauling easy, boom the road idea.

he most extensive tin mines in the world have just been discovered in it.

the republican party is not bound, why does it not stand on its own feet and breathe easy?

The Missouri legislature has refused to pass an investigation of Ex-Treasurer Nolan's defalcation.

bridgeport for only three days found dead in his bed in Summer. His life was insured for \$2,000.

The force bill was an administration—and there is weeping and wailing the white house because that pet is so.

The columns of the INTELLIGENCER are open to the farmers alliance when or to any member desires to use them.

A scientific man has invented a seamless piano and it will soon be available to the next door to the girl who is learning to play.

Milton Drummond made his bow in the Odessa Democrat this week as Editor-in-chief of that sterling exponent of Democracy. Success to him.

The silver men in congress have not even up the fight yet, but they are most hopeful of bringing the Vest bill to a vote in the house this session.

Senator Vest is not the only Missourian to be elected to the senate for the third term. Senator Cockrell enjoyed that distinguished honor four years ago.

The county court did a wise thing in transferring the amount received for deposits of county funds to the road fund, for there is where it will do the people the greatest good.

Lafayette county seems to have had far better bids for the county deposits than any of the neighboring counties. But then, there are not many Lafayette counties in Missouri.

Sarah Bernhardt resents the insinuation that she is growing "fat." Well, Sarah is correct. Fied for a week, she wouldn't yield enough grease to fill a Waterbury watch.

The late attempt to make a finish of despoiling the Sioux Indians cost the government several millions of dollars. We should no longer speak of the Indian as a Lo—very lo—month high.

Under the new congressional apportionment it is doubtful if Jackson county will become a congressional district by itself, as it was supposed it would before the census was taken.

It is true, as claimed by republicans, that reciprocity is provided for in the McKinley tariff bill; but it is just as true that a high protective tariff is in nowise a necessary element of reciprocity.

Where the democratic party is in power, the alliance has no need to be an independent party or organization. It is only in republican states where the alliance has a call to work as a political party.

A gambler recently cheated the Prince of Wales out of a large sum of money at baccarat, and the people of England are very indignant over it. As they turnish the peace with his gambling money they have a right to be mad.

That remarkable anti-American measure, the McKinley tariff bill, is about to mature some big fruit in France. The government there will enact a law to prohibit the importation and sale of American pork. The only hope of the pork raiser in this country is to convert his hog pens into frog ponds.

Just so what an array of talent has been lost to the republican party since the country made a fool of itself by exchanging Grover Cleveland for Benjamin Harrison: Ingalls, of Kansas; Evans of New York; Spooner, of Wisconsin; and McKinley, of Ohio. These were four of the strongest men in the party. Their loss is almost irreparable, especially in the face of the fact that nearly all the western senators are out of line with the eastern wing of the party.

The Lafayette F. & L. U. members are not a whit behind their brethren alliance men in other portions of the country. They are not only studying the situation, but are doing an encouraging lot of original thinking. Their teaching and practices are the very essence of democracy and they find that there is no need of organizing as an independent party. By presenting their wants to the democratic conventions they feel assured that what they ask for will be granted. And democratic leaders should see that the alliance men have no cause to fall out with the party.

It has become a dangerous thing for the old-time, chronic traders of Missouri in congress to renew their attacks on this state. With Vest and Cockrell in the senate, and men like Tarney in the lower house, Missouri has as able a band of defenders as any state in the union. Honor, of Massachusetts, assailed the state in the senate a few days ago, but by the time Cockrell was done with him, the old gladiator, and only one by one they were dragged from the arena, as it were, by their friends—utterly discomfited.

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